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PERSONAL NOTES

President Charles W. Flint delivered the Convocation address at the State University of Iowa at its last Convocation. The invitations for such engagements away from home are more numerous than can be accepted. He rarely gets a chance to spend a week-end in Mount Vernon.

Professor W. H. Norton contributed a 35 page paper to the March *Journal of Geology* on "The Classification of Brecchia."

Professor John E. Stout will conduct several courses in the department of Education at the University of Chicago this summer.

Professor George H. Betts lectured at the Wisconsin State Teachers Association among several others, has competed the Moral Code for the training of youth which he was appointed by the State Superintendent to prepare as Iowa's representative in a contest, and has published a book on "Classroom Methods and Management".

Professors Nicholas Knight and F. M. McGaw presented papers at the meeting of the Iowa Academy of Science at Grinnell.

Professor Evelyn C. Riley, of the chair of Latin, has entered into an agreement by which the college will be deprived of her efficient work in her present position. The wedding is to be in June and Bishop Thomas Nicholson of Chicago is the fortunate man.

Clara F. Chassell, '12, has been appointed psychologist in the Horace Mann School of Teachers College, Columbia University.

Professor Clyde Tull began his work in the department of English at the beginning of the second semester of this year, following the resignation of Professor J. M. Bachelor. Professor Tull graduated from De Pauw, 1905, was high school principal for one year, took the A. M. degree at Harvard, 1909, was professor in the University of Idaho for four years, travelled and studied abroad for a year, and was since 1915 professor of English at Dakota Wesleyan University. He came to Cornell from Columbia University where he was spending a year in advanced study. Mrs. Tull was also studying in New York where she completed her work before coming to Mount Vernon.

Professor Clyde Tull

Prof. Charles R. Keyes will teach the courses in German at State Teachers College at Cedar Falls during the summer session.

Cornell in the Association of Collegiate Alumnae

ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGIATE ALUMNAE
Gertrude S. Martin, Executive Secretary,
934 Stewart Ave., Ithaca, N. Y.

(Seal) April 18, 1917

My dear President Flint,—

I am happy to inform you that at the recent convention of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae held in Washington the graduates of Cornell College were made eligible by a unanimous vote, to membership in the Association. We shall wish shortly to send to your alumnae a communication inviting them to join the Association and assist in the work we have in hand. I am enclosing herewith circulars that will give you information about the assocation and its work.

Very sincerely yours,
(Signed) Gertrude S. Martin,
Executive Secretary.

President C. W. Flint,
Cornell College, Mount Vernon, Iowa.

CORNELL COLLEGE
Mount Vernon, Iowa

April 21 1917

Mrs. Gertrude S. Martin,
934 Stewart Avenue, Ithaca, New York.

Dear Mrs. Martin:

We are very much pleased to receive the news of our unanimous election to membership in the Association of Collegiate Alumnae at the recent meeting in Washington. This is an honor which we highly appreciate, and which, I am sure, will be of great benefit to our alumnae and to our college. We hope that in our modest way we, too, may also contribute to the success of your Association, and that a large number of our alumnae may immediately avail themselves of the privilege of membership.

I shall send you within two or three days a list of our alumnae with their addresses. I am enclosing herewith draft of a letter as you suggested.

Yours very truly,
(Signed) Chas. W. Flint.

The above correspondence will be welcome and enjoyable reading to Cornellians as it is a very noteworthy recognition of the standards and standing of Cornell College. This is attested by their published requirements for membership, under which our application was made some months ago. These requirements are quoted below:

REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP

I. Academic Standard. For the present the Association will use as its standard for acamedic rating the list of colleges recommended by the Association of American Universities to foreign universities, containing not only those institutions which are on the accepted list of the Carnegie Foundation but also those which are certified by this Foundation as of equivalent standing but excluded from its accepted list for other than educational reasons.

II. Additional Requirements. An institution, the graduates of which may be admitted, must show the following additional qualifications: 1. There shall be a reasonable recognition of women in the faculty and in the student body, and proper provision for the intellectual and social needs of women students. 2. Much weight shall be given to the fact where women are on the Board of Trustees, especially in women's colleges. 3. In the consideration of a co-educational institution great weight shall be given to the fact that such institution has a dean or advisor of women, above the rank of instructor, who is counted a regular member of the faculty. 4. Women on the faculty shall receive the same salaries as men of the same rank. 5. No co-educational institution shall be considered in which there is not special provision, through halls of residence or other buildings, for the social life of the women students.

Procedure: I. A college or university that meets the academic requirement named above may be brought up for consideration by the Committee* on the Recognition of Colleges and Universities. II. If approved by the Committee the name of such college or university is proposed to the Branches of the Association. III. If no information received from the Branches renders postponement advisable, the name of the college or university is presented to the Council. Upon the favorable vote of three-fourths of the members of the Council, tl e alumnae of such college or university are made eligible to the Association.

*Committee on Recognition of Colleges and Universities: Miss Marion Reilly, Chairman, Pennygroves, Bryn Mawr, Pa.; Miss Florence M. Fitch, Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio; Mrs. Gertrude S. Martin, 934 Stewart Ave., Ithaca, N. Y.; Miss Eleanor Lord, Goucher College, Baltimore, Md.; Miss Jean Palmer, Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES WHOSE ALUMNAE WERE PREVIOUSLY ELIGIBLE TO MEMBERSHIP IN THE ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGIATE ALUMNAE

(From report of November, 1916)

Barnard College
Beloit College
Boston University
Women's College, Brown University
Bryn Mawr College
University of California
Carleton College
Massachusetts Inst. of Technology
University of Michigan
University of Minnesota
University of Missouri
Mount Holyoke College
The University of Nebraska
Northwestern University

University of Chicago
University of Cincinnati
Colorado College
University of Colorado
Cornell University
De Pauw University
Drake University
Earlham College
Elmira College
Goucher College
Grinnell College
University of Illinois
Indiana University
The State University of Iowa
University of Kansas
Knox College
Lake Forest College
Lawrence College
Leland Stanford Jr. University
University of North Dakota
Oberlin College
Ohio State University
Ohio Wesleyan University
Pomona College
Purdue University
Radcliffe College
University of Rochester
Smith College
Swarthmore College
Syracuse University
Trinity College
Vassar College
Washington University (St. Louis)
University of Washington (Seattle)
Wells College
Wellesley College
Western Reserve University
University of Wisconsin

The Foreign and American Universities whose higher degrees admit to membership in the Association are: Clark University, Columbia University, Johns Hopkins University, McGill University, University of Pennsylvania, University of Toronto, Yale University and the non-professional doctorate conferred by:

Great Britain: London, Durham, Manchester, Birmingham, Liverpool, Sheffield, Leeds, Bristol, Glasgow, Aberdeen, St. Andrews, Edinburgh, Wales.

Ireland: Dublin (Trinity College), Belfast, National University of Ireland.

Holland: Amsterdam, Groningen, Leiden, Utrecht.

Belgium: Brussels, Ghent, Louvain, Liège.

Scandinavia: Copenhagen, Upsala, Christiania, Lund.

Switzerland: Basle, Berne, Fribourg, Geneva, Lausanne, Zürich.

Germany: Berlin, Bonn, Breslau, Göttingen, Greifswald, Halle, Kiel, Königsberg, Jena, Rostock, Heidelberg, Strassburg, Freiburg, Tübingen, Marburg, Münster, Munich, Erlangen, Würzburg, Leipzig, Giessen.

France: Paris, Lyons, Lille, Bordeaux, Toulouse, Dijon, Montpelier, Caen, Grenoble, Aix, Marseilles, Rennes, Nancy, Clermont-Ferrand, Besancon, Poitiers.

Master of Arts and Master of Science conferred by:

Great Britian: London, Durham, Manchester, Birmingham, Liverpool, Sheffield, Leeds, Bristol, Wales.

Ireland: Dublin (Trinity) Belfast, National University of Ireland, Dublin.

Master of Science conferred by:

Scotland: Glasgow, Aberdeen, St. Andrews, Edinburgh.

As will be seen from the above, Cornell College is one of only four institutions in Iowa honored by membership in this organization, the others being Drake, Grinnell and the State University.

Only six other Methodist institutions besides Cornell

have been admitted. Cornell is not only the only Methodist College in Iowa so recognized, but IS THE ONLY METHODIST COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY WEST OF CHICAGO included in the membership.

THE PURPOSE OF THE ASSOCIATION

The Association of Collegiate Alumnae is a National Association of college women with seventy-five Branches throughout the country. It was founded in Boston in 1882, by a group of women representing a half dozen colleges of high academic standard, for the purpose of uniting the alumnae of different institutions for practical educational work, for the collection and publication of statistical and other information concerning education, and for the maintenance of higher standards of education in general. It endeavors to fulfil these purposes through the national organization and through its local Branches.

Each Branch is a local club that makes for pleasant acquaintance and friendliness while doing educational, civic and social work in the community and in co-operation with the National Committees and Conferences on:

I. *Fellowships for Graduate Study* in Europe and America. Under this Committee there are awarded each year several fellowships for graduate study.

II. *Educational Legislation*—state and national. This Committee not only studies present and proposed legislation and uses influence to further desirable and prevent undesirable legislation; but through Committees in local branches it is initiating local legislation to secure needed improvements in the schools.

III. *Vocational Opportunities* in gainful occupations other than teaching. This Committee is doing very important work in the investigation of the widening field of opportunity open to women. It has published: 1. *A Vocational Bulletin.* 2. *A Bulletin on Opportunities in Domestic Science.* 3. *An Occupational Census of College Women.* This Committee encourages the establishment of Bureaus of Occupation for the guidance and placement of college women.

IV. *Volunteer Service.* This Committee endeavors to make effective for social service the training and power of those college women who can afford to give their services without remuneration in all sorts of social betterment movements.

V. *Foreign Students.* This Comittee is trying to bring about a better understanding and more cordial relations between our own and foreign countries by encouraging the entrance into our colleges and universities of foreign women students who can in time interpret their people to us and us to them.

VI. *Cooperation with Government Bureaus,* particularly the Children's Bureau, the Labor Bureau and the Bureau of Immigration.

MEMBERSHIP

I. CORPORATE

AFFILIATED MEMBERSHIP. Any General Association of Alumnae of an

A. C. A. college may become an Affiliated Member of the A. C. A.

II. INDIVIDUAL

General Membership. This is open to any alumna of any A. C. A. college upon the payment of annual dues of one dollar to the National Treasurer. This membership entitles the holder to the A. C. A. Journal. General members have all the rights and privileges of the Association.

Branch Membership

1. *Regular Membership.* Any alumna of an A. C. A. college who joins a local Branch of the A. C. A. thereby becomes a member of the National organization as well, and is entitled to the same rights and privileges as a general member, execpt that her representation in the Council and in the General Association is counted through her Branch.

2. *Associate Membership (Ex-Students).* Associate members in a Branch are those women who have pursued at least one year's full academic work in any college granting a B. A. degree, and who have been elected by the Branch to Associate membership. The rights and privileges of Associate members, as well as the amount of their dues, are regulated by the Branch itself. They are not eligible to National Membership and pay no national dues. No Branch is required to admit Associate members if it does not so desire.

Each Branch does local work of its own choosing although it is also expected to co-operate with one or more of the National Committees. The work of the Branches is as varied as their geographical distribution, and many of the finest achievements of college women in this country have been initiated and carried out by A. C. A. Branches. At the present time they are working along all lines of educational, civic, and social betterment.

Another Gratifying Announcement

A few weeks ago our College constituency was stirred by the announcement of the *General Education Board of New York* that a conditional appropriation of $100,000 had been made to Cornell.

This *second* grant to our College is of special significance and is a striking testimonial to its standing and worth.

The General Education Board was founded in 1902 by John D. Rockefeller for "the promotion of education within the United States of America without distinction of race, sex and creed." A number of the most able educators and public benefactors of the country compose its membership. It is superior to all "pull" or special influence, deciding all its gifts on the basis given in the next paragraph. It puts "no pressure, direct or indirect, upon any College or University with a view to influencing its course of action" and has left "to the discretion of every institution with which it has in any way had relations complete power to shape its own course, externally and internally." *It gives just as readily to denominational Colleges as to others.*

The basis on which it makes appropriations, as set forth in its own words, reads:

"In general it may be said that the Board seeks to assist in the further development of well established institutions, which appear to be 'necessary factors in a well organized and well distributed permanent system of higher education.' Before making appropriations, careful investigation is made to determine WHETHER AN INSTITUTION IS 'NECESSARY', in the sense that, if it did not exist or were not further developed, the higher education of the constituency which it now serves would be seriously hampered; WHETHER THE INSTITUTION IS REASONABLY WELL LOCATED, in the sense that no other stronger institution, doing substantially the same service, is already sufficiently accessible; finally, WHETHER THE INSTITUTION IS LIKELY TO BE 'PERMANENT' in the sense that it has already passed beyond the tentative stage."

In view of the fact that the most thorough and searching investigation is made of all Colleges, their field, their work and their future, before favorable consideration, no possible recognition of Cornell College could be more significant, more flattering, or more gratifying.

An even more significant consideration is the fact that this is the *second* $100,000 appropriation for Cornell.

During the fifteen years since the Board was organized it has aided by gifts 110 of the 700 Colleges and Universities of the United States with appropriations averaging about $95,000 each. **Of these 700 Colleges and Universities, only 31, including Cornell College, have received a second appropriation, and each appropriation to Cornell has been above the average amount.**

But—

the above gift is *conditional.* It is not ours yet, and the obtaining of it depends on the loyalty and sacrifice of our constituency. In brief we must have $650,000 including their gift, $400,000 for endowment and $250,000 for buildings and improvements. Their gift is for and on the endowment part only, but the campaign by previous decision and arrangement must include the buildings and improvements.

Plans are being made for the campaign which must be launched soon, and concluded about a year hence.

The war has disturbed but not dismayed us. We cannot evade nor can we postpone; we must proceed.

Every Cornellian will have to appropriate the largest possible amount for benevolent purposes for the next six years and apply the bulk of it to Christian higher education through Cornell College. Only thus can we win out and make ours this $100,000 from the General Education Board.

THE MAY MUSIC FESTIVAL.

May 24, 25 and 26 are the dates for the nineteenth Annual Cornell Music Festival. Quoted from the May Festival announcement, the attractions this year are: ALMA GLUCK, the most popular concert soprano in an entire evening of the most attractive songs; EFREM ZIMBALIST, the most magnetic of the younger violinists; LAMBERT MURPHY, a really great festival tenor; BERTHA HART, a thoroughly satisfying pianist; the ORATORIO SOCIETY, a splendid chorus of 150 voices in the ever enjoyable *Hiawatha's Wedding Feast;* FREDERICK STOCK, one of the world's foremost conductors; and the CHICAGO ORCHESTRA, the best symphony orchestra in their only festival appearance west of Chicago and their fifteenth consecutive appearance at the Cornell Music Festival.

There are as usual five concerts, the first one coming on Thursday evening. The talent engaged for these festivals has always been of the highest order. The above enumeration of the superior attractions of the present year is more eloquent than extended comment could be to those who are acquainted with the musical world. Mme. Gluck's coming is her first appearance at any Iowa festival. The whole program is under the management of the Cornell College Conservatory of Music with Professor Frank H. Shaw as director.

THE SIXTY-FOURTH COMMENCEMENT.

A Change in Program—Commencement Day Address to be at 10 A.M.

Commencement Day this year comes on June 6. It is about a week earlier than heretofore and on Wednesday instead of Thursday. The Baccalaureate Sermon will be preached on Sunday, June 3, by President Charles W .Flint, and the address at Evening Vespers will be delivered by Rev. Dr. Elmer E. Higley of Des Moines. The alumni orator is Rev. Fred J. Clark, '05, of Omaha, and the speaker of Commencement Day is Hon. Frederick M. Davenport, Professor of Political Science in Hamilton College, New York. Professor Davenport was member of the New York senate in 1909-10 and nominee for governor in 1914. He has been otherwise prominent in public life and as special correspondent for the New York *Outlook* numerous articles have appeared from his pen in that journal.

This year marks the Sixtieth Anniversity of the organization of the College of Liberal Arts. The institution began as a "Seminary" or Academy and its first four June commencement exercises were under that organization. In 1857 the *College* was organized and in 1858 a class of two was graduated. These two became husband and wife and Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Cavanagh settled in Iowa City where they are still living. Next year will mark the sixtieth anniversary of their graduation.

In celebration of the sixtieth anniversary of the organization of the College this year, the senior class had planned to preesnt a Cornell Historical Pageant instead of the usual Commencement orations. The Pageant was to present epochal and characteristic scenes in the life of the college from the earliest times, and was scheduled for the morning of Commencement Day. This number on the printed program, already sent out, has had to be given up on account of the extraordinary conditions. A number of the men who had been assigned to important parts are now in the military training camps. **The Commencement Address, therefore, and Conferring of Degrees will occur at 10 A. M., instead of 2 P. M., as on the printed program sent out, and the President's Reception will be from 3-5 in the afternoon.**

Alumni Day will be Tuesday instead of Wednesday as heretofore. The "key" to the campus is delivered especially to the "sevens" this year—the classes from 1857 to 1917, and the classes of '14 and '16 being especially scheduled for reunions. The Alumni Dinner comes at 4:30 in the Alumni Gymnasium.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ARE CORNELL GUESTS.

Vocational Conference and Girls' Grex—The Interscholastic

On April 26 and 27 occurred the Girls' Vocational Conference and the Girls' Grex. The principal speakers were Miss Helen Bennett, chairman of the Bureau of Occupations for Collegiate Women, in Chicago, who gave two addresses; Judge Mary Bartleme, of the Chicago Juvenile Court, who gave two addresses; Miss Jenette Lewis, county superintendent of Calhoun county; Miss Mary Gaston, supervising community nurse in Cedar Rapids; and Miss Alice R. Betts, experienced in secretarial work in New York City. The Girls' Grex, the annual breakfast, held in the Gymnasium, was the main social feature of the two days. To the Conference and the Grex many high high school girls in the surrounding territory were invited and the invitation was accepted by sixty or more of them for an enjoyable and profitable time. The Grex is a nicely appointed affair attended by practically all the girls and accompanied by a program of toasts.

A week later, June 5, came the Interscholastic Meet. Track teams came from high schools as far west as Marshalltown and as far east as Freeport, Illinois. The Cornell Meet is popular with the high school boys as one of the "snappiest" in the state. One of the attractive features is the largely attended banquet given the visitors in the gymnasium at six o'clock in the evening, when, in addition to the eating, there are speeches and music and the presentation of medals to the winners. An entertainment is provided for the evening also—heretofore a drama but this year the home concert of the Men's Glee Club. Everything is free to the visitors and a fine spirit prevails. Of the twenty high schools which were entered in the meet this year, seven-

teen sent teams and eleven won places. Marshalltown took first place with 24 points.

DEATHS

Dr. Hugh Boyd died at Mount Vernon, March 6, after prolonged illness. Dr. Boyd had a host of friends and admirers in the alumni. Beginning in 1871, he served the college for ten years as professor of Greek and Latin and for twenty-five as professor of Latin. He was acting president for one year.

Captain E. B. Soper, LL. D., '78, died suddenly at Kansas City, March 21, while on his way home from the South in company with Mrs. Soper. He was one of the stanchest, most devoted and most valued supporters Cornell ever had. He was for thirty-one years member of the Executive Committee, and for thirty-nine years member of the Board of Trustees of which he was president at the time of his death. Memorial pamphlets are in preparation for both Captain Soper and Dr. Boyd.

Harold E. Bowman, '92, died November 26, 1916, at Norfolk, Virginia. He was inspector in the U. S. Immigration Service.

Myra Maurer, '14, died at Ottawa, Illinois, April 18, after an illness of almost a year. She engaged in teaching after graduation.

CORNELL AND THE WAR.

The old patriotism, so pronounced at Cornell in "the sixties", promptly manifested itself in the present crisis. Cornell's was among the earliest applications to the national government for an officer to re-establish military training on the Campus. This procedure resulted from faculty deliberation and an urgent petition signed by practically all the men students. Specially appointed mass meetings were held early and the regular chapel assemblies took on the same general character. Before an officer could be secured, drill was organized under the direction of the Commandant and officers of cadets from the State University, and Sergeant Harold Jordan, '12, of the National Guard. Lieutenant J. H. Dreibelbis, Reserve Officer of the National Guard, was later appointed by Adj. General Logan to the post of Commandant at Cornell and has been surprised at the rapidity and ease with which the three companies have been mastering the details of drill. The men have made good use of the drill manuals with which they supplied themselves early. Reviews and parades, with an unusually good band, have proven the excellent work of commandant and men. The companies include practically all the men students and some members of the faculty—universal military training at Cornell. Many of the men applied for appointment to the military training camps and on the first call fifteen, including two members of the faculty, received appointments and are now in the camps. There have

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been a number of enlistments by present and former students and alumni, and some alumni have received commissions. Others have joined the army of food producers and are now on the farms.

The women of Cornell are included in the universal training. At the morning hour for drill, obtained by shortening the class hours, the young women are receiving regular class instruction in first aid relief and in nursing. The members of these classes are registered at the Red Cross headquarters in Washington and are preparing to take the examinations sent out from there. The First Aid classes, which have a combined membership of 300, are under the instruction of a number of physicians in the community. The class of 46 in nursing is under the instruction of a registered nurse from Dubuque.

Frank Persons, 1900, has been appointed director of the Red Cross organization in the United States and has removed from New York to Washington.

Professor S. L. Chandler will have charge of the courses in Sociology at Northwestern University during the coming summer session.

Professor O. H. Smith read a paper at the meeting of the North Eastern Iowa Teachers Association.

Charles E. Persons, '03, professor in Economics in Washington University, St. Louis, contributed to the April *Educational Review* a 22 page paper on "The Introductory Course in Economics."

Earl Gammons, '15, and Merle Manly, '16, who have been on the Cedar Rapids *Republican* and *Times* have accepted places with the Minneapolis *Tribune* and Des Moines *Register and Leader* respectively.

Albert M. Walker, '08, has received the commission of Major of Engineers in the Officers Reserve Corps of the U. S. Army. He has been Topographic Engineer in the U. S. Geological Survey.

Ethel Ryan, '14, who has been taking advanced courses in physical training this year at Columbia University, has been appointed Director of Physical Training for Women at Lawrence College, Wis.

G. Avery Reeder, '97, who has been International Secretary of the Army and Navy Department of the Y. M. C. A., has been commissioned a Major in the regular army.

George B. Mangold, '01, Director of the St. Louis School of Social Economy, is author of a 40 page discussion of the "Public Treatment of Drunkenness in St. Louis", in the *Washington University Studies*.

James E. Bromwell, '81, of Marion, is now Grand Eminent Commander for Iowa of the Knights Templar.

Howard L. Kern, '07, Attorney General of Porto Rico, gives considerable space to a discussion of the new juvenile court in his last fiscal report.

A. E. Murley, '15, has been promoted to be principal of the high school at Marion.

W. Burt Millen, '06, who was Cornell Rhodes Scholar at Oxford, England, 1908-11, is now proprietor and editor of the *Saturday Night*, published at Minneapolis, Minn.

The Baseball season has so far (May 16) failed to record a single defeat for the Cornell team, the State University and Ames being numbered among the victims.